



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MEDIA ADVISORY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

SENT: June 20, 2008

- What:** Operation "Safe Nights III" Juvenile Curfew Sweep in Southeastern Division
- When:** Friday, June 20, 2008 between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m.
- Where:** Southeastern Division Communities
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As students in San Diego schools begin their summer break it's important for parents and students to remember that the juvenile curfew law remains in effect. In an effort to keep students safe during the week of many graduation celebrations, the San Diego Police Department Southeastern Division officers, along with other agencies, will conduct a juvenile curfew sweep. The goal of the sweep is to reduce gang violence by exhibiting a positive police presence in communities where gang violence has occurred. The sweep is scheduled for Friday, June 20, 2008.

Recent violent crimes in Southeastern Division have involved juveniles as suspects and also as victims. This sweep will attempt to address the issue of juveniles in violation of the curfew laws – and by extension, prevent them from committing crimes or becoming the victims of crimes. Information on the curfew law can be found at the following link:

<http://www.sandiego.gov/police/about/juvlaw.shtml>.

A juvenile processing center will be set up in the parking lot of Porter Elementary School North located at 445 S. 47th Street. Parents will have the opportunity to pick up their children at this location, if necessary.

Media are invited to Porter Elementary School North beginning at 10 p.m. Please keep in mind that the target of this sweep is juveniles and their faces cannot be broadcast on television or on internet news sites.

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